

**Sec. 23-203. Establishment of a stormwater management utility and enterprise fund.**

(a) There is hereby established a stormwater management utility within the engineering department which shall be responsible for stormwater management programs throughout the city, and which shall provide for the management, protection, control, regulation, use, and enhancement of stormwater systems and facilities.

(b) The city manager shall establish a stormwater enterprise fund in the city budget and accounting system for the purpose of dedicating and protecting all funding applicable to the purposes and responsibilities of the stormwater management utility, including but not limited to rentals, rates, charges, fees, and licenses as may be established by the Columbia City Council and other funds that may be transferred or allocated to the stormwater management utility. All revenues and receipts of the stormwater management utility shall be placed in the stormwater enterprise fund and all expenses of the utility shall be paid from the stormwater enterprise fund, except that other revenues receipts, and resources not accounted for in the stormwater utility enterprise fund may be applied to stormwater management programs, facilities, operations, and capital investments as deemed appropriate by the Columbia City Council, upon recommendation by the city manager.

(c) The Columbia City Council hereby transfers to the stormwater management utility operational control over the existing stormwater management programs, systems, and facilities performed, provided, or owned and heretofore operated by the city and other related assets, including but not limited to properties other than roadways upon which such systems and facilities are located, easements, rights-of-entry and access, and certain equipment used solely for stormwater management.

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